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- A. A meeting of the Secretariat of the FOeJ Federal Leadership was held on 4 February 1948 at the Haus der Jugend. Comment: A list of members of the Secretariat forms Appendix A to this report.

1. The Party National Congress will meet on 12 and 13 June 1948. One delegate will represent every thirty members of the FOeJ. The program planned includes:

- a) Opening of the meeting
- b) Welcome to foreign delegates
- c) "From the First to the Second Congress" (a report on activities and budget)
- d) Change of statutes
- e) Amendment of FOeJ policy
- f) Political report
- g) Proposals and motions
- h) Election of members of the Federal Leadership

A demonstration is planned for Saturday evening, 12 June 1948.

2. Five delegates will go to Hungary to join in the celebrations between 15 and 20 March 1948. A sports delegation of 20 FOeJ members will be sent to Hungary in June; a cultural delegation, accompanied by a group of dancers and a choir, will go in August. It was reported that an invitation to a September meeting of the Youth of the Balkans in Sofia had been received, but no action was taken on this. There was read a telegram from the Anti-Fascist Youth Congress of the Soviet Union, expressing its thanks for gifts received from the FOeJ.
3. For the labor battalion which is to work in Yugoslavia between 15 July and 15 August 1948, the following quotas of volunteers have been sent: Students, 10; Vienna, 40; Lower Austria, 40; Burgenland, 5; Upper Austria, 15; Styria, 20; Salzburg, 5; Tyrol, 5; Vorarlberg, 8; Carinthia, 10. Herbert STEINER, the

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FOeJ Federal Secretary, is in charge of organizing the battalion, which will be divided into two groups, a large one working on the Belgrade-Zagreb highway, and a smaller one assigned to one of the Yugoslav Republics. Quotas for a second battalion, to be sent to Slovakia in August, are: Vienna, 4; Lower Austria, 4; Burgenland, 2.

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B. Numerical Strength of the FOeJ:

The membership statistics used as a basis for computing quotas for the labor battalions indicate the numerical strength of the FOeJ in the various provinces:

<u>Province:</u>	<u>Enrolled Members:</u>	<u>Active Members:</u>
Vienna	3800	1500
Lower Austria	4000	1600
Burgenland	700	300
Upper Austria	1600	650
Styria	1900	750
Salzburg	600	250
Carinthia	1000	400
Tyrol	800	350
Vorarlberg	1100	450
Total ca.	19500	6250

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